

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Title on page 1 as follows:

~~STRETCH LABEL ATTACHING DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ATTACHING~~
~~STRETCH LABEL~~

Please insert the following paragraph at page 1, between lines 3 and 5, as follows:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This document claims priority and contains subject matter related to Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-234195 filed on August 9, 2002, incorporated herein by reference.

Please delete the paragraph at page 16, lines 1-3, in its entirety.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 7, with the following paragraph:

Figs. 7 to 11 are schematic views for explaining the method of the present invention for attaching a stretch label to a good (container); and

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 10, with the following paragraph:

Fig. 12 is a schematic view illustrating a good (container) to which a stretch label is attached-; and

Please add the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 12, with the following:

Fig. 13 is a schematic showing a counter provided with a stretch label attaching device.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 24, with the following paragraph:

As shown in Fig. 13, A a counter (D) is preferably provided on the stretch label attaching device to automatically count the number of the labels attached to goods (containers). By setting a counter on the stretch label attaching device, the stretch label attaching operation can be efficiently performed because the operator can concentrate on the operation without counting the number of the labels. Specifically, the number of the labels attached to goods can be counted by, for example, setting a sensor such as microswitches (E) at a position between the member (A) and the member (B). When a label is set a predetermined position, the label is mechanically, physically (optically) or electrically detected and thereby the number of labels attached can be counted.